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February 9, 1983

Mr. Jerry Shiplett
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Dear Mr. Shiplett:

An archaeological survey was conducted on August 9, 1983, in the areas of planned construction at the C.I.A. facility near Langley, Virginia. No archaeological sites were located in any of the construction areas. The attached report has been forwarded to Bruce Larson of the Virginia Research Center for Archaeology and to [redacted]

If I can be of any further help, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Chatelain
Archaeologist
Fairfax County Archaeological Survey

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cc: Bruce Larson, VRCA
[redacted] Chief,
Building Planning Staff,
C.I.A.

Fairfax County Archaeological Survey
Preliminary Cultural Resource Reconnaissance Report

I. PROJECT TITLE: Examination of construction sites on C.I.A. facility in Langley, Virginia.

II. PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS: Edward R. Chatelain and Michael F. Johnson, Archaeologists.

III. METHOD:

- A. Archival - Site files and historic maps were reviewed to determine the existence of recorded sites in the project area. Current topographic maps were examined for historic and prehistoric site potential.
- B. Field Investigation - A pedestrian reconnaissance was conducted in three areas where construction is planned (see attached). The paths walked are demarcated on the project map by dashes. Xs designate the location of shallow test pits excavated with entrenching tools. Relatively deep (30 cm.) testing was done in the alluvial terraces adjacent to the main gate.

IV. ENVIRONMENT OF THE PROJECT AREA:

- A. Geography - The project areas are approximately one quarter of a mile south of the Potomac River on the fall line. Residential housing makes up the major characteristic of the adjacent areas, except to the north and northeast which includes forested areas associated with the George Washington Memorial Parkway.
- B. Geology - The project areas are in a Gneiss bedrock zone which does leave angular fragments of poor grade quartz as it decomposes. No bedrock outcrops were observed.
- C. Soil - The DOA extension survey and Fairfax County soil survey list the area as unsurveyed. Test pits indicated shallow topsoil with a gritty subsoil containing chunks of granitoid and quartz rock. The area adjacent to the gate had a 15-30 cm. cover of recent slope wash (construction of road) underlain by fairly well developed alluvial deposits.

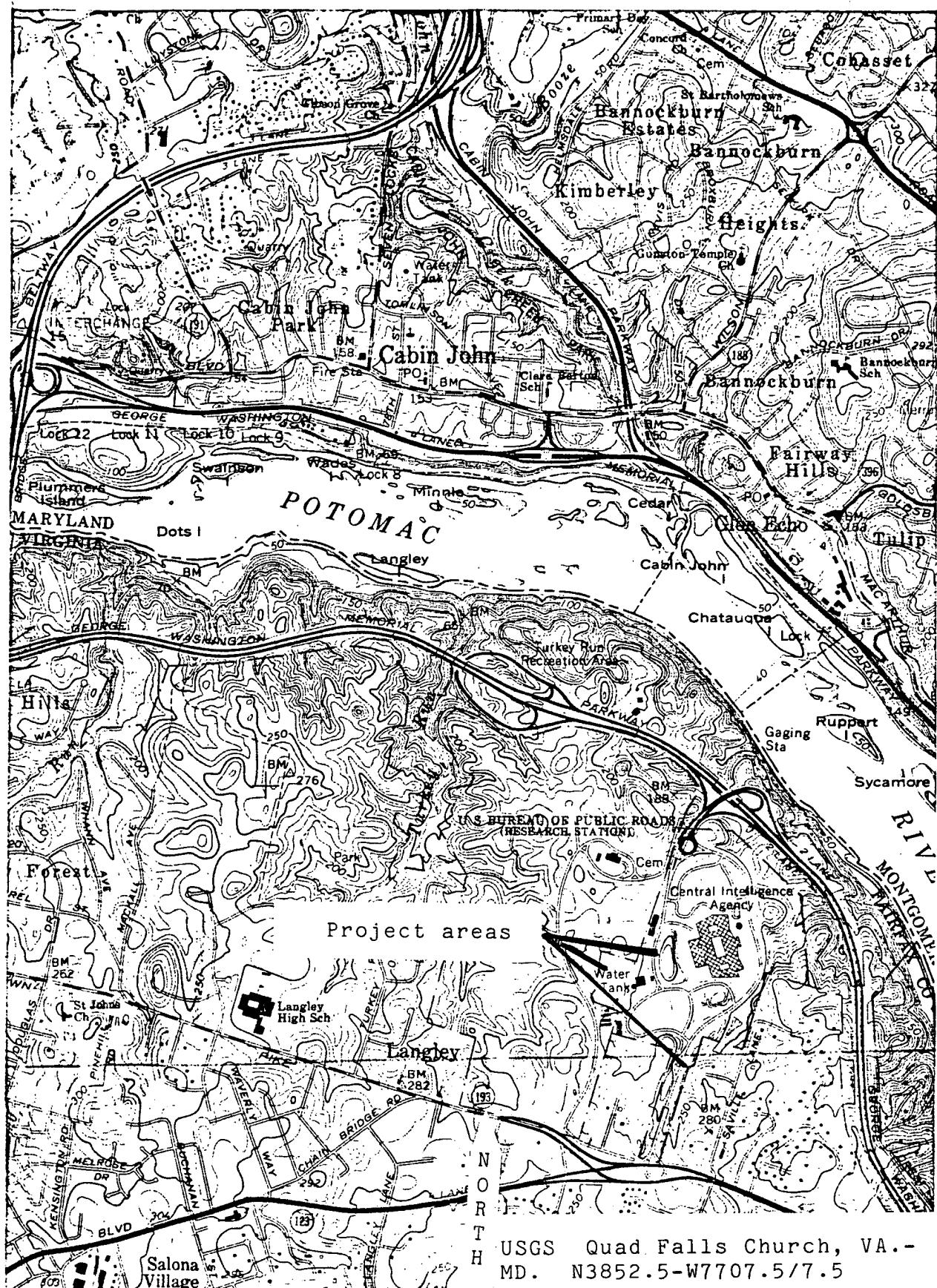
V. ARCHIVAL RESULTS:

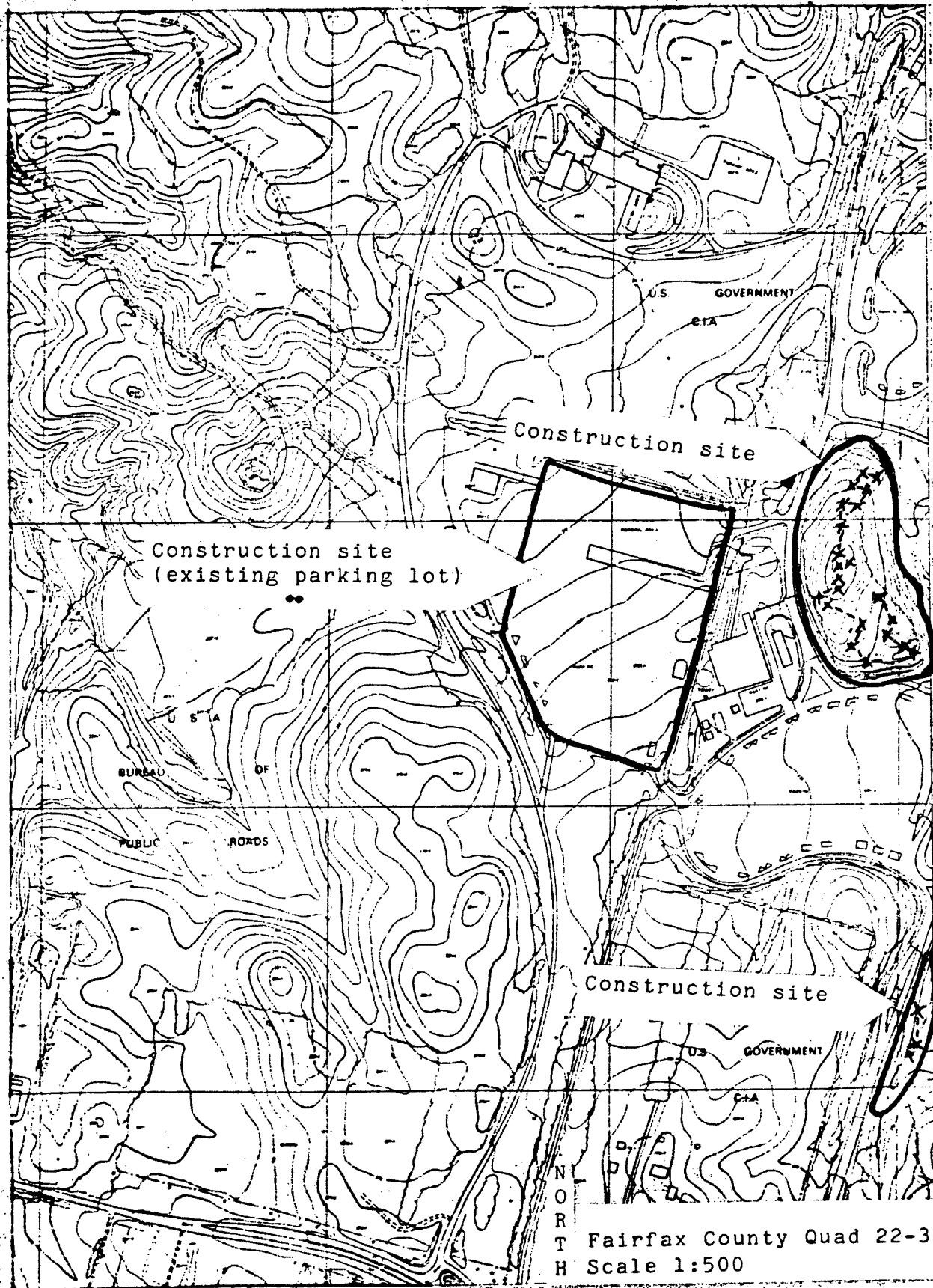
- A. Prehistory - There is no record of sites for these locations. The topographic map review indicated the potential for prehistoric sites on two of the areas. The high hill behind the main C.I.A. building had potential for quartz outcrops and, therefore, a quarry, and the terraces adjacent to the main gate had potential for habitation sites.

B. History - No sites are on file for the project areas. The background literature review indicated that all areas had a low potential for containing significant historical sites.

VI. RESULTS OF FIELD WORK: No prehistoric or historic archaeological sites of potential significance were located during the field reconnaissance.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS: No further work is warranted on any of the three areas examined.



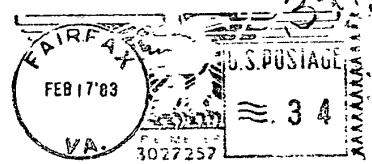


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